

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Treasurer, Highway Agent,
Trustees of Public Trust Funds, Tax Collector,
Town Clerk, Board of Education *and*
School Treasurer

OF THE

Town *of* Kensington

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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NOTICE TO VETERANS OF ANY WAR IN WHICH THE U. S. WAS ENGAGED

Changes in laws to become effective April 1st, 1948

No. 1. A Veteran must now have served 90 days in the Armed Forces.

No. 2. Under the old law if the Veteran and his wife had \$5,000.00 worth of property they could not get any exemption. The new law provides that they must not have \$5,000.00 of real or taxable property exclusive of bona fide encumbrances of record.

No. 3. Where property is held by several Veterans jointly, only one exemption of \$1,000.00 will be allowed on such property.

No. 4. A husband and wife who are both Veterans are entitled to two exemptions.

No. 5. A Veteran who served on active duty in the Allied Forces such as the Canadian or British Armies and who is otherwise qualified, is entitled to an exemption.

No. 6. The applicant must fill out and file with the Selectmen an application for exemption on or before April 15th of each year. He may file later if prevented by accident, mistake or misfortune but no application will be considered after the local tax rate is approved.

No. 7. The Selectmen have the right to investigate the truth or falsity of the application and to deny the application if satisfied a false statement was made. The applicant may appeal to State Tax Commission within 6 months.

No. 8. A resident is defined as a person who has resided in New Hampshire for at least 6 months prior to April 1st of the year in which application is made.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

John W. York

Supervisors of Check List

Richard Prescott

Raymond Morley

Carl Brewer

Town Clerk

Martha L. Evans

Selectmen

Leonard B. Miller

John W. York

Harry B. Greenwood

Treasurer

Harry L. Steeves

Tax Collector

Charles Bickford

Auditors

George Shaw

Marion P. Kimball

William H. Wadleigh

Trustees of Public Library

Josephine Sanborn

Grace Philbrick

Marion P. Kimball

Trustees of Trust Funds

Marion P. Kimball

Elmer Brewer

Leslie Briggs

Board of Education

Leonard B. Miller

Alice Wilbur

Percy Dunn

School Treasurer

Josephine Sanborn

Fire Warden

Horace O. Evans

Deputy Wardens

Sumner Card

John York

Frank Rosencrantz

Melvin G. Armstrong

Road Agent

Howard Blake

Board of Health

Harry L. Steeves

Fence Viewers

Hiram E. Prescott

Sumner Card

Melvin Armstrong

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Arthur Evans

Edward Wilbur

Walter Trafton

Sexton and Caretaker of Cemeteries

Ralph Noyes

Constables

John Perfect

Moses Brewster

Town Warrant

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kensington, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Article 3. To see if the Town wishes to allow discount on taxes paid within 30 and 60 days after presentation of tax bill and determine the amount thereof.

Article 4. To vote on the basis of payment and the amount to be paid Tax Collector for collection of taxes.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$247.76 for T. R. A. The State to provide \$991.03.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Memorial Day exercises.

Article 7. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Public Library.

Article 8. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for O. A. A.

Article 9. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Public Welfare.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for winter roads.

Article 11. To see if the Town will give authority to Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 12. To see if the Town will give authority to Selectmen to dispose of property held by town on tax sales.

Article 13. To see what sum the Town will raise for contingent fund and town expenses.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to resurface and tar road from Mace Corner to Route 150.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to give authority to Selectmen for hiring janitor service for Town property.

Article 16. By petition of American Legion to see if the Town will rescind vote on appropriation of \$300.00 in 1946 for Welcome

Home Party to Veterans. Such funds to be expended under a Legion plan.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote and appropriate \$100.00 for purchase of new chairs for Town Hall.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$1,000.00 for repairs to Town Hall.

Article 19. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

LEONARD B. MILLER,

JOHN W. YORK,

HARRY B. GREENWOOD,

Selectmen of Kensington.

Town Budget

	<i>Actual Revenue 1948</i>	<i>Estimated Revenue 1949</i>
<i>From State:</i>		
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	\$798.92	\$700.00
Railroad Tax.....	15.58	12.00
Savings Bank Tax.....	19.33	18.00
<i>From Local Sources:</i>		
Motor Permit Fees.....	821.45	600.00
<i>Local Taxes Other Than Property:</i>		
Poll Taxes.....	486.00	460.00
	<hr/> \$2,141.28	<hr/> \$1,790.00
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes.....		24,691.16
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Total.....		\$26,481.16

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	<i>Actual Expense 1948</i>	<i>Estimated Tax 1949</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Town Officers' Salaries.....	\$827.80	\$850.00	\$22.20	
Town Officers' Expenses.....	638.08	650.00	11.92	
Election and Registration...	185.60	100.00		\$85.60
Town Hall Expenses.....	178.00	200.00	22.00	
Fire Department.....	158.60	400.00	241.40	
Health Department.....	64.10	5.00		59.10
Vital Statistics.....	.20	10.00	9.80	
Legal Expenses.....	25.00	25.00		
General Highway Expense...	309.40	300.00		9.40
Cemeteries.....	309.90	150.00		159.90
Highway Tax, (Summer)....	1,683.45	1,600.00		83.45
Highway Tax, (Winter)....	2,566.50	1,500.00		1,066.50
T. R. A.....	266.69	247.66		19.03
Library.....	350.00	400.00	50.00	
Memorial Day.....	97.50	100.00	2.50	
New Road Construction....	500.00	500.00		
Dog Damage.....	98.62	30.00		68.62
County Tax.....	2,172.45	2,200.00 est.	27.55	
Schools.....	8,926.36	15,203.50	6,277.14	
Interest on Town Notes....	135.00	120.00		15.00
Payment on Notes.....	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Int. on Temporary Loans....	50.00			50.00
Payment Temporary Loans..	3,000.00			3,000.00

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Street Lighting.....	\$23.10	\$40.00	\$16.90	
Tax Commission on Town As-				
sessments.....	412.90			\$412.90
Taxes bought by Town.....	92.61			92.61
Workmen's Insurance.....	43.10	50.00	6.90	
Police Department.....	16.60			16.60
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	\$25,921.65	\$26,481.16	\$6,765.55	\$6,206.04

Selectmen's Report

INVENTORY

Land and Buildings.....	\$529,187.00
Growing Wood and Timber.....	39,145.00
Electric Power Lines, etc.....	27,978.00
Horses, (39).....	2,325.00
Oxen, (2).....	300.00
Cows, (267).....	34,975.00
Neat Stock, (54).....	4,530.00
Sheep and Goats, (53).....	530.00
Hogs, (44).....	1,005.00
Fowl, (3,255).....	4,012.50
Fur Bearing Animals, (29).....	580.00
Portable Mills, (3).....	1,050.00
Wood and Lumber.....	800.00
Gasoline Pumps, (3).....	320.00
Stock in Trade.....	5,000.00
Mills and Machinery.....	3,400.00
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	\$655,137.50
Veterans' Exemption.....	22,065.00
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Total.....	\$633,072.50

Estimate from which Tax Rate was Determined

Poll Tax, (249).....	\$498.00
Property Tax.....	22,157.53
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	810.21
Railroad Tax.....	1.64
Savings Bank Tax.....	18.08
Auto Permits.....	500.00
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	\$23,758.51
Plus Overlay.....	226.95
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	\$23,985.46

Actual Income

Poll Tax, (249).....	\$498.00
Property Tax.....	22,220.07
Interest and Dividend.....	798.92
Railroad Tax.....	15.58
Savings Bank Tax.....	19.33

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Auto Permits.....	\$821.45
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Total Appropriations.....	\$24,373.35
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Overlay.....	\$614.78

Appropriations

Town Charges.....	\$1,325.00
Town Exp. and Contingent Fund.....	2,000.00
T. R. A.....	246.00
Town Maintenance.....	1,635.97
Snow Removal.....	2,500.00
New Road Construction.....	500.00
Street Lighting.....	40.00
Library.....	400.00
O. A. A.....	600.00
Town Poor.....	1,000.00
Memorial Day.....	90.00
Interest.....	135.00
Payment on Notes.....	1,000.00
County Tax.....	2,172.45
Schools.....	10,113.50
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	\$23,758.51

Assets

Cash in Hands of Treasurer, January 1, 1949.....	\$3,224.39
Uncollected Property Tax, 1948.....	5,140.67
Uncollected Polls, 1948.....	188.00
Uncollected Property Taxes.....	471.00
Uncollected Polls.....	800.00
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	\$8,665.77

Liabilities

Balance due Schools.....	\$4,963.50
Dog Money Due Schools.....	53.78
Balance Due Town Property.....	200.00
Balance on Veteran Fund.....	300.00
Balance on Library Appropriation.....	50.00
Balance Due Notes.....	8,000.00
Exeter Fire Dept.....	50.00
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Total Assets.....	\$13,617.28
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Deficit.....	\$4,951.51

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries.....	\$1,325.00	\$827.80		\$326.48
Town Officers' Expenses.....		638.08		
Election and Registration....		185.60		
Town Hall Expenses.....		178.00		
Fire Department.....		158.60		
Health.....		64.10		
Workmen's Insurance.....	Contingent	43.10	\$911.70	
Vital Statistics.....	Fund	.20		
Legal Expense.....	2,000.00	25.00		
Highway General Expense....		309.40		
Cemeteries.....		309.90		
Highway Maint.—Summer...	1,635.97	1,683.45		47.48
Highway Maint.—Winter....	2,500.00	2,566.50		66.50
New Road Construction.....	500.00	500.00		
O. A. A.....	600.00	522.76	77.24	
Library.....	400.00	350.00	50.00	
Memorial Day.....	90.00	97.50		7.50
County Tax.....	2,172.45	2,172.45		
Schools.....	10,113.50	8,926.36	1,187.14	
Town Notes and Interest....	1,135.00	1,135.00		
T. R. A.....	246.59	266.69		20.10
Street Lighting.....	40.00	23.10	16.90	
Town Welfare	1,000.00	1,267.33		267.33
<i>Other Expenses:</i>				
Tax Commission on Town Assessments.....	412.90			
Tax Collectors' Sale.....	92.61			
Police Department.....	16.60			
Town Notes.....	3,000.00			
Interest on Notes.....	50.00			
Dog Damage.....	98.62			
	\$27,429.24	\$22,239.82	\$2,242.98	\$735.39
Balances.....	1,507.59		735.39	
Total Expenditures.....	\$25,921.65		\$1,507.59	

Town Clerk's Report

January 1 to December 31, 1948

Dog Tax for 1947—1948

Dr.

Received for 14 male dogs at \$2.00.....	\$28.00	
Received for 1 female dog at \$5.00.....	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$33.00

Cr.

Fees for 15 dog licenses at 20 cents.....	\$3.00	
Paid Town Treasurer.....	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$33.00

Dog Tax for 1948—1949

Dr.

Received for 52 male dogs at \$2.00.....	\$104.00	
Received for 6 female dogs at \$5.00.....	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$134.00

Cr.

Fees for 58 dog licenses at 20 cents.....	\$11.60	
Paid Town Treasurer.....	122.40	
	<hr/>	\$134.00

Auto Tax

Dr.

Received for 274 Auto Permits, tax.....	\$821.45
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Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer.....	\$821.45
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MARTHA L. EVANS,

Town Clerk.

Tax Collector's Report

Charles H. Bickford, *Collector*

As of December 31, 1948

Summary of Warrant

Levy of 1945

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of March 9, 1948:

Poll tax, regular.....	\$2.00
Poll tax, special.....	3.00
Interest collected.....	1.02
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Total of Warrant.....	\$6.02

Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer during 1948:

Poll tax, regular.....	\$2.00
Poll tax, special.....	3.00
Interest.....	1.02
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Total Credit.....	\$6.02

Levy of 1946

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of March 9, 1948:

Property taxes.....	\$30.15
Poll taxes.....	2.00
Interest and cost collected.....	10.17
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Total Debits.....	\$44.32

Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer during 1948:

Property taxes.....	\$30.15
Poll taxes.....	2.00
Interest and cost collected.....	10.17
Abatement made.....	2.00
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Total Credit.....	\$44.32

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*Levy of 1947**Dr.*

Uncollected taxes as of March 9, 1948:

Property taxes.....	\$2,415.62
Interest on property taxes.....	4.72
Poll taxes.....	96.00
Interest and cost collected.....	125.91
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	\$2,644.25

Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer during 1948:

Property taxes.....	\$2,373.28
Poll taxes.....	82.00
Interest and cost collected.....	125.91
Abatements made.....	50.34
Uncollected poll taxes.....	8.00
Uncollected interest on property.....	4.72
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Total Credit.....	\$2,644.25

*Levy of 1948**Dr.*

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property taxes.....	\$22,157.85
Poll taxes.....	498.00
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Total warrant.....	\$22,655.85
Added taxes, property.....	50.57
Added taxes, poll.....	8.00
Interest collected.....	3.65
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Total Debits.....	\$22,718.07
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Cr.

Remittance to Treasurer during 1948:

Property taxes.....	\$16,987.84
Poll taxes.....	306.00
Interest collected.....	3.65
Abatements allowed, property.....	79.97
Abatements allowed, poll.....	12.00
Uncollected taxes, property.....	5,140.61
Uncollected taxes, poll.....	188.00
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	\$22,718.07

KENSINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Summary of Tax Sales Account as of Dec. 31, 1948

Taxes sold to the town during current year

	<i>Dr.</i>		1947 <i>Tax</i>	1946 <i>Tax</i>
Taxes sold.....			\$87.02	\$5.59
Interest collected after sale.....			.48	
			<hr/>	<hr/>
Total debits.....			\$87.50	\$5.59

Cr.

Committed to Treasurer during 1948

		1947 <i>Tax</i>	1946 <i>Tax</i>
Taxes sold.....		\$82.74	
Unredeemed at close of year.....		4.76	\$5.59
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Total credit.....		\$87.50	\$5.59

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1948..... \$1,386.75

Received from R. Milton Fish, Tax Collector:

Poll Taxes, 1946.....	\$4.00	
Property Taxes, 1946.....	510.97	
Interest, 1946.....	3.18	
Poll Taxes, 1947.....	114.00	
Property Taxes, 1947.....	2,067.60	
Interest, 1947.....	21.97	
	\$2,721.72	

Received from Charles H. Bickford, Tax Collector:

Poll Taxes, 1945.....	\$5.00	
Interest, 1945.....	1.02	
Poll Taxes, 1946.....	2.00	
Property Taxes, 1946.....	30.15	
Interest, 1946.....	10.17	
Poll Taxes, 1947.....	82.00	
Property Tax, 1947.....	2,373.28	
Interest, 1947.....	125.91	
Poll Taxes, 1948.....	306.00	
Property Taxes, 1948.....	16,987.84	
Interest, 1948.....	3.65	
	\$19,927.02	

Received from Exeter Banking Co.:

Note.....	\$3,000.00
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Received from Martha L. Evans, Town Clerk:

Dog Tax, 1947-48.....	\$30.00	
Dog Tax, 1948-49.....	122.40	
Auto Permits.....	821.45	
	\$973.85	

Received from T. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer:

Savings Bank Tax.....	\$19.33	
Railroad Tax.....	15.58	
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	798.92	
	\$833.83	

Received from State of N. H., Dept. of Public Welfare:

Recovery.....	\$137.50
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Received from Other Sources:

Marion Kimball, Interest on Invested Funds.....	\$82.59	
Tax Sale Redemption.....	82.74	
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		\$165.33
Total Receipts.....		\$29,146.00
Paid by Order of Selectmen.....		25,921.65
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Balance, December 31, 1948.....		\$3,224.35

HARRY L. STEEVES,

Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers' Salaries.....	\$827.80
Town Officers' Expense.....	638.08
Election and Registration.....	185.60
Town Hall Expense.....	178.00
Police.....	16.60
Fire Department.....	158.60
Damage by Dogs.....	98.62
Health Dept.....	64.10
Vital Statistics.....	20
Summer Road.....	2,183.45
Winter Road.....	2,566.50
Street Light.....	23.10
General Expense of Highway.....	309.40
Libraries.....	350.00
Old Age Assistance.....	522.76
Town Poor.....	1,267.33
Memorial Day.....	97.50
Cemeteries.....	309.90
Legal Expenses.....	25.00
Taxes Bought by Town.....	92.61
Workman Insurance.....	43.10
Interest.....	185.00
T. R. A.....	266.69
Temporary Loan.....	3,000.00
Annual Payment on Stumpfield Road.....	1,000.00
New Assessment.....	349.39
County Tax.....	2,172.45
Schools.....	8,926.36
Balance \$3.00 Poll Tax.....	63.51
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	\$25,921.65

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Town Officers' Salaries

Marion P. Kimball, Auditor.....	\$10.00
William H. Wadleigh, Auditor.....	10.00
Harry L. Steeves, Treasurer.....	65.00
John W. York, Selectman.....	50.00
Leonard B. Miller, Selectman.....	100.00
Harry B. Greenwood, Selectman.....	50.00
Moses Brewster, Constable.....	5.00
Charles Bickford, Collector.....	295.47
Martha L. Evans, Clerk.....	50.00
Martha L. Evans, Clerk, Auto Permits.....	137.00
Martha L. Evans, Clerk, Recording Births, etc.....	14.50
R. Milton Fish, 1946-47, Collector.....	40.83
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	\$827.80

Officers' Expense

Edwin C. Eastman, Supplies.....	\$2.00
Marion P. Kimball, Postage.....	3.60
U. S. Auto Truck Guide.....	4.50
Kurtz Cafe, Officers' Dinners.....	12.20
Whittier Press, Reports and Printing.....	277.85
R. Milton Fish, Collector.....	5.81
Brown and Saltmarsh, Supplies.....	74.57
Ida M. Harner, Collectors' Dues.....	4.00
DeMerritt Agency, Officers' Bond.....	40.00
N. H. Tax Commission, Audit.....	46.30
Charles Bickford, Collector.....	64.78
Sargent Brothers, Tax Bills.....	15.80
Wheeler and Clark, Supplies.....	6.00
Charles Mathwes, Services.....	9.00
Charles Batchelder, Supplies.....	.95
J. W. A. Green, Copying Transfers.....	8.20
George B. Shaw, Repairing Adding Machine.....	1.00
Harry Steeves, Expense.....	6.62
John W. York, Expense.....	15.00
Harry B. Greenwood, Expense.....	15.00
Leonard B. Miller, Expense.....	25.00
Martha Evans, Expense.....	14.50
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	\$638.08

Election and Registration

Fred Ferrin.....	\$6.60
Raymond Morley.....	21.00
Richard Prescott.....	33.00
Elmer C. Brewer.....	27.00
Alice Prescott.....	10.60
Amy Eastman.....	10.60

Hiram E. Prescott.....	\$4.00
Grace Gilmore.....	10.60
D. E. Palmer.....	7.30
H. M. Prescott.....	9.90
John W. York.....	13.00
Amesbury Publishing Co.....	12.00
Kurtz Cafe Dinners.....	20.00

\$185.60

Town Hall Expenses

Telephone.....	\$40.94
Electric Light.....	29.56
Howard Beckman, Cutting Wood.....	7.20
Ralph Noyes, Cutting Wood.....	14.40
Eugene Simon, Cutting Wood.....	11.20
Howard Blake, Cutting Wood.....	3.20
E. B. Warner, Broom.....	1.50
Grange Mutual Insurance Co.....	40.00
Gustave Lambert, Wood.....	15.00
Leonard B. Miller, Wood.....	9.00
Leonard B. Miller, Sawing Wood.....	6.00

\$178.00

Police

John R. Perfect.....	\$16.60
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Fire Department

Horace O. Evans, Fire Warden.....	\$8.00
Melvin G. Armstrong, Fire Warden.....	8.00
Exeter Fire Dept., Finniran & Wadwell.....	50.00
Lambert Fire.....	20.00
Smith Fire.....	13.80
Mathwes Fire.....	13.80
N. H. Forestry Dept. Knapsack Pumps.....	45.00

\$158.60

Damage by Dogs

Walter R. Trafton.....	\$30.00
Everett Brown.....	57.50
John R. Perfect, Police.....	6.00
Dog Tags.....	5.12

\$98.62

1948 Dogs Reported....114—1948 Dogs Paid....58

Health Department

Harry L. Steeves.....	\$5.00
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Vital Statistics

Register Probate.....	\$.20
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HIGHWAY AGENTS' REPORT

Summer Roads

Kimball Road

R. G. Watkins & Son, Inc.:	
Bulldozer Work.....	\$82.50
Hauling Gravel.....	744.00
Hector Boudreau, Gravel.....	99.84
Eugene Simon, Labor.....	7.60
Howard Blake, Labor.....	40.80
Donald Mitchell, Labor.....	27.20
W. F. Boynton, Labor.....	19.20
Howard Beckman, Labor.....	11.20
Ralph Noyes.....	2.40
Horace O. Evans, Truck.....	18.00

Town Maintenance

R. G. Watkins & Son, Inc.:	
Bulldozer Work.....	\$58.00
Hauling Gravel.....	246.00
Grader Work.....	68.00
Howard Blake, Labor.....	109.60
Eugene Simon, Labor.....	23.20
Joseph Dolan, Labor.....	32.00
W. F. Boynton, Labor.....	44.80
Ralph Noyes, Labor.....	3.20
Horace O. Evans, Truck and Tractor.....	207.00
Young's Hardware, Supplies.....	5.96
Exeter Lumber Co.....	1.35
H. H. McGuire Co., Road Patch.....	331.20
Total.....	<hr/> \$2,183.45

General Expense, Highway

N. H. Highway, Garage, Tile.....	\$230.00
Howard Beckman, Labor.....	32.00
Howard Blake.....	19.20
Horace O. Evans, Truck.....	4.00
Ralph Noyes.....	10.40
Eugene Simons.....	10.80
Robert A. Kimball.....	3.00
	<hr/> \$309.40

Winter Roads

Removing Snow Fence:

Howard Beckman, Labor.....	\$9.60
Howard Blake, Labor.....	8.80
Horace O. Evans, Truck.....	8.00

Erecting Snow Fence:

Richard Wilbur, Labor.....	\$7.60
Everett Palmer, Labor.....	14.40
Horace O. Evans, Truck.....	16.00
Horace O. Evans, Labor.....	8.00

Winter Sanding:

J. Stanton Hilliard.....	\$40.05
David Hodgdon.....	4.00
L. Bailey.....	4.00
Robert Wadleigh.....	4.00
Granville Gilmore.....	4.00
George Baker.....	.80
Harold Helme.....	.80
James West.....	.80
Howard Eastman.....	4.80
Horace O. Evans, Truck.....	6.00
Everett Palmer.....	2.40

Snow Removal

R. G. Watkins & Sons, Inc.:

Plowing Snow.....	\$2,389.25
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Hand Shoveling:

Arthur Aucoin.....	\$2.80
Harold Bodwell, Jr.....	2.80
Harold Mitchell.....	2.80
Elmer Dunn.....	2.80
Richard Prescott.....	2.80
Donald Mitchell.....	2.80
George J. Shaw, Jr.....	2.80
Robert Young.....	2.80
Dana Young.....	2.80
Donald Clark.....	2.80
Robert Miller.....	2.80
Arthur Batchelder, Gravel.....	2.40

Total.....	\$2,566.50
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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

In order to comply with the closing of the town's fiscal year on December 31st, only the interest added to trust funds account on July 1st has been included in this report;—interest added January 1, 1948 and 1947 bills paid from that income was included in the 1947 report.

MARION P. KIMBALL, *Treasurer.*

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int.	Bal. of In- come 1/1/48	Income During Year to July 1, '48 only	Expended During Year	Balance of Income at end of yr.
1912	John F. Gill Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	\$100.00	2½%	\$64.15	\$2.05		\$66.20
1914	Hannah Moulton Library Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	1,000.00	2½%	25.25	12.50	\$25.15	12.60
1916	Mary S. Blake Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	100.00	2½%	23.15	1.54		24.69
1918	Lizzie H. Osgood Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%	39.78	1.39		41.17
1922	James P. Bartlett Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%	9.16	1.09		10.25
1923	George M. Gove Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	150.00	2½%	75.72	2.81		78.53
1925	Ellen F. Bingham Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	100.00	2½%	16.99	1.45		18.44
1928	Clara A. Rhodes Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	100.00	2½%	23.15	1.54		24.69
1929	William H. Eaton Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	200.00	2½%	22.40	2.22		24.62
1931	Susan L. Webster Cemetery Fund.....	Man. Sav. Bank.....	200.00	2½%	56.52	3.20		59.72
1932	Robert T. Brown Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	200.00	2½%	48.92	2.48		51.40
1935	Frank L. Wadleigh Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%	4.85	1.04		5.89
1937	Sarah A. Green Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%	6.34	1.06		7.40
1938	Oliver Clifford Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	95.00	2½%	5.56	1.00		6.56
1940	Clara E. Kimball Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	300.00	2½%	5.17	3.35		38.52
1942	Mary J. Smith Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	200.00	2½%	14.24	2.14		16.38
1944	Marcia D. Tilton Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	1,000.00	2½%	71.88	10.71	82.59	
1944	Mary A. Tilton Library Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	500.00	2½%	15.22	5.15	20.37	
1944	John S. Wadleigh Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	150.00	2½%	5.58	1.55		7.13
1945	Mary Evans DeRochmont Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%	2.85	1.02		3.87
1945	Town of Kensington New School Building, Capital Reserve Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	1,580.00	2½%	51.97	16.31		68.28
1947	Benjamin Lovering Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	100.00	2½%		2.01		2.01
1948	Frank H. Poor Cemetery Fund.....	Exeter Bnk. Co.....	200.00	2½%				
Totals.....					\$618.85	\$77.61	\$128.11	\$568.35

Report of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

Although the Fire Department is an organization entirely separate from the local government, members felt, that inasmuch as the Department has been possible only through the co-operation of citizens in the community, that it would be fitting to submit each year an annual summary of affairs in the Town Report.

In keeping with that policy the following report is submitted for the year ending February 7, 1949.

The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department was the outgrowth of a project sponsored in the late fall of 1947 by the Kensington Men's Club. Incorporation under the present name was accomplished on February 13, 1948; incorporators being Horace Evans, Ralph Fish, Charles Matthews, Leonard Miller and John York.

A meeting to activate the Department was held on May 10 and was attended by 26 persons. At that time a set of By-Laws were adopted and a slate of officers elected for the ensuing year. The officers elected were:—

President.....	John York
Vice President.....	Melvin Armstrong
Treasurer.....	Ralph Fish
Secretary.....	Charles Matthews
Finance Committee—	Harry Greenwood, Everett Palmer, Herman Shaw
Fire Chief.....	Horace Evans
Deputy Fire Chief.....	Melvin Armstrong

Action was initiated at once on the procurement of funds for purchase of necessary fire apparatus. To raise these funds both a canvass of the town was made to solicit donations and a program of suppers presented. Donations proved gratifying; and the suppers which were put on in August, October, December, and January netted substantial amounts. (For receipts from both sources see financial statement appended hereto.)

Almost immediately a suitable oil tank truck was located, purchased, and converted into a piece of fire fighting equipment. Since then a front end pump has been installed, brackets attached to hold ladders and other items of equipment, and the truck painted and appropriately lettered. One ladder, 450' of 1½" and 2½" hose, 200' of ¾" booster hose, and a carbon dioxide and two soda acid extinguishers have been purchased and placed on the truck. Mr.

Everett Palmer has allowed the Department to store the trucks in the rear of his shop for the winter months.

Still needed by the Department is about 550' of 1½" hose, a roof ladder, a suitable signalling device for central mounting in the town, new tires, sets of adequate fire clothes to carry on the truck at all times, and a heated building for storage of the truck and for meetings. It is hoped that additional funds can be raised in 1949 to purchase at least a portion of these items.

Meetings of the Fire Department are held on the first Monday in each month at eight p. m. Present enrollment is 37 members.

The Department answered four fire calls this past year, extinguishing three alone, and assisting the Exeter Fire Department in the other. The fires responded to were:—

July 5—Hannah Plummers. Barn ignited by lightning strike with flames subsequently spreading to the ell and were threatening the house by the time the Exeter Department arrived. The Kensington Department arrived several minutes later and Exeter used the Kensington equipment when the pump on their tank truck failed to start. They were able to hold and reduce the fire until they could get their equipment going. The barn and ell were lost but the house saved.

September 18—A brush fire back of Roland Sawyers on Beaverdam in an area where logging had been in progress. Extinguished. No damage.

October 16—Harvey Wilbur. Chimney fire. Extinguished. No damage.

November 1—Arthur George. Chimney fire. Extinguished. No damage.

Members of the Department would like to take this opportunity to extend their sincere thanks to the men and women of this community and to others who have given so generously of their services, their time, and their money to make this organization a success.

Respectfully submitted,

The Kensington Volunteer
Fire Department, Inc.

Members of the Department as of February 7, 1949.

Melvin J. Armstrong	Clark Jacobs
Melvin J. Armstrong, Jr.	Charles Matthews
Carl F. Ashton	Leonard B. Miller
Arthur Batchelder	Ernest E. Mitchell, Sr.
Charles H. Bickford	Ralph E. Noyes
Howard A. Blake	Everett Palmer
Parker Blodgett	Richard Prescott
Harold W. Bodwell, Jr.	Clyde Russell
Clarence W. Bragg	James R. Rosencrantz
Henry J. Brannigan	George J. Shaw
Ernest E. Charlton	Herman Shaw
Russell Crowell	Harry Steeves
Kenneth Daigneault	Gordon Swift
Percy Dunn	John D. Trafton
Horace Evans	Alden L. Tuttle
Alfred J. Felch	Arthur F. Wiggin
Ralph B. Fish	Richard M. Wilbur
Ernest Greenwood	John York
Harry B. Greenwood	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Kensington Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc.

Organized February 1948

Receipts

Subscriptions and Donations.....	\$766.00
From suppers and other activities.....	716.76
From Men's Club.....	50.00
From Sale of Meter and Tire from Truck.....	106.15

Total Receipts.....	\$1,638.91
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Payments

Cost of Truck.....	\$950.00
Hose and Fittings.....	532.95
Miscellaneous.....	65.20
Cash Balance on Hand, Feb. 18, 1948.....	90.76

\$1,638.91

Amount still owing for supplies—\$169.00.

RALPH B. FISH,

Treasurer.

Report of the Forest Fire Warden

Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing co-operation of all the people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

- (1) Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered by snow.
- (2) If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.
- (3) Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your co-operation in this way is earnestly solicited.

1948 Fire Record

Number of Fires—6—No Permits issued.

Acreage Burned—10.

Number of Fire Permits Issued—13.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE O. EVANS,

Forest Fire Warden.

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books from January 1, 1948 to January 1, 1949

Fiction.....	1,044
Juvenile.....	469
History.....	30
Biography and Autobiography.....	47
Adventure and Travel.....	30
Poetry and Drama.....	10
Science.....	43
Religion.....	4
Sociology.....	7
Miscellaneous Non-Fiction.....	14
Magazines.....	204
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	1,911

Books Added to the Library

Gift of Mrs. Fred Keough

Black Opal.....	J. Lane Linklater
I Found Him Dead.....	Gale Gallagher
Deaf and Dumb.....	Edmund Crispin
The Farmhouse.....	Helen Reilly
Fools Die on Friday.....	A. A. Fair
Dark Interlude.....	Peter Cheyney
The Girl With the Frightened Eyes.....	Lawrence Lariar
Case of the Half Awakened Wife.....	Erle Stanley Gardner
Dark Prophecy.....	Marjorie Alan
Case of the Lazy Lover.....	Erle Stanley Gardner
Untidy Murder.....	Frances and Richard Lockridge
Let the Tiger Die.....	Manning Coles
The Outsiders.....	A. E. Martin
Fatal Purchase.....	Anne Rowe
One Angel Less.....	H. W. Roden
Whisper Murder.....	Vera Kelsey
Death Lifts the Latch.....	Anthony Gilbert
Somewhere in the House.....	Elizabeth Daley
The Case of the Gold Digger's Purse.....	Erle Stanley Gardner
Died in the Wool.....	Nagio Marsh
Pearls Before Swine.....	Margery Allengham
The Murderer is a Fox.....	Ellery Queen
Dread Journey.....	Dorothy B. Hughes
Curse of the Bronze Lamp.....	Carter Dickson
Out of Control.....	Baynard Kendrick

Too Many Suspects.....	John Rhode
An Eye for an Eye.....	Oliver Weld Bayer
Too Late for Tears.....	Roy Huggins
Murder on the Purple Water.....	Frances Crane
The Whispering Master.....	Frank Gruber
The D. A. Breaks A Seal.....	Erle Stanley Gardner
Murder Within Murder.....	Frances and Richard Lockridge
The Pavilion.....	Hilda Lawrence
Sinister Errand.....	Peter Cheyney
Up to the Hilt.....	Anne Rowe
Port of Seven Strangers.....	Kathleen Moore Knight

Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby

The Prodigal Girl.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Happiness Hill.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Mystery of Mary.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Coming Through the Rye.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Obsession of Victoria Gracen.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Beloved Stranger.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Christmas Bride.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Phoebe Deane.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The City of Fire.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Man of the Desert.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Dawn of the Morning.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Challengers.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Rainbow Cottage.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Girl from Montana.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Search.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Finding of Jasper Holt.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Honor Girl.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Miranda.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Exit Betty.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Red Signal.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Tomorrow About This Time.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Out of the Storm.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The White Lady.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Silver Wings.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Story of a Whim.....	Grace Livingston Hill
More Than Conqueror.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Marigold.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Job's Niece.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Marcia Schuyler.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Not Under the Law.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Found Treasure.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Tryst.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Lo Michael.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Seventh Hour.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Head of the House.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Strange Proposal.....	Grace Livingston Hill

Stranger Within the Gates.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Enchanted Barn.....	Grace Livingston Hill
A New Name.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Through These Fires.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Beauty for Ashes.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Ariel Custer.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Spice Box.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Mystery Flowers.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Partners.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Ransom.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Matched Pearls.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Bright Arrows.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Gold Shoe.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Substitute Guest.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Maris.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Ladybird.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Ross Galbraith.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Chance of a Lifetime.....	Grace Livingston Hill
White Orchids.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Girl of the Woods.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Patch of Blue.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Daphne Dean.....	Grace Livingston Hill
April Gold.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Crimson Roses.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Crimson Mountain.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Homing.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Kerry.....	Grace Livingston Hill
The Way of the Silverthorns.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Amorelle.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Patricia.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Astra.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Brentwood.....	Grace Livingston Hill
Debutante in Uniform.....	Maysie Greig
Halfway House.....	Ellery Queen
White Roads.....	George W. Ogden
Honeymoons Arranged.....	Maysie Greig
Not One of Us.....	Maysie Greig
Good Sport.....	Maysie Greig
The Earth Before Man.....	University of Knowledge
The Story of Primitive Man.....	University of Knowledge
The Dawn of Civilization.....	University of Knowledge
The Glories of Ancient History.....	University of Knowledge
History of the World.....	University of Knowledge
Outline of Modern History.....	University of Knowledge
Art in Ancient Times.....	University of Knowledge
Art in the Middle Ages.....	University of Knowledge
Art in the Modern World.....	University of Knowledge
Music and its Makers.....	University of Knowledge

Exploring the Mysteries of Physics and Chemistry	University of Knowledge
Wonders of Modern Industry	University of Knowledge
Earth and Sky	University of Knowledge
Trailing Animals Around the World	University of Knowledge
Living Plants—Marvels of Nature	University of Knowledge
Great Leaders	University of Knowledge
Great Inventors and Their Inventions	University of Knowledge
A Modern Book of Wonders	University of Knowledge
The Story of Engineering	University of Knowledge

Gift of Mrs. Mobbs

Death Stalks the Range	Brett Rider
Swift Lightning	James Oliver Curwood

Gift of Estate of Lydia Gove

History and Genealogy of American Family of Goves

Gift of Junket Folks

Flibberty Jibbert and The Key Keeper

Gifts

Received from

The Fishes of New Hampshire	Concord
A Generation of Industrial Peace	Standard Oil Co. of N. J.
The Federal Reserve System Board	Governors Federal Reserve System
Men and Volts at War	General Electric Co.
The Metropolitan Life	Metropolitan Life
History Petroleum Administration for War	U. S. Government

Gift—Anonymous

The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame
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Books Purchased

Little Helicopter	Reid Keinert
Private Enterprise	Engela Thirkell
Uncertain Heart	Alice Ross Colver
Marry for Money	Faith Baldwin
Still Water	Katherine Newlin Burt
The Moneyman	Thomas B. Costain
Lucinda Brayford	Martin Boyd
Eagle in the Sky	F. Van Nyck Nason
Inside U. S. A.	John Gunther
New Illustrated World History	John Hamilton, Ed.
A Study of History	Arnold J. Toynbee
Dance Without Music	Peter Cheyney
No Trumpets Before Him	Nelia Gardner White
Winnie the Pooh	A. A. Milne

The Firelight Book.....	Henderson-Garretson-Weber, Ed.
Our Country's Story.....	Frances Cavanah
Pilgrim's Inn.....	Elizabeth Goudge
Book of Knowledge Annual.....	Grolier Soc.
Within the Harbor.....	Sara Ware Barrett
The Foolish Gentlewoman.....	Margery Sharp
No Highway.....	Nevil Shute
Shannon's Way.....	A. J. Cronin
Tomorrow Will Be Better.....	Betty Smith
The Devil's Stronghold.....	Leslie Ford
The Stars Are Yours.....	James Sayre Pickering

NELLIE HILLIARD, *Librarian.*

FINANCIAL REPORT, KENSINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Year Ending December 31, 1948

Receipts:

Balance of 1947 Appropriation.....	\$40.17
Received on 1948 Appropriation.....	350.00
Moulton Fund Interest.....	25.15
Mary A. Tilton Fund Interest.....	20.37
Fines.....	6.69

Total Income.....	\$442.38
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Expenses:

Supplies and Equipment.....	\$17.45
Librarian's Salary.....	150.00
Janitor's Services.....	52.50
Electricity.....	14.28
Fuel.....	104.00
Books and Magazines.....	83.54
Miscellaneous Expense.....	1.90
Total Expenses.....	\$423.67
December 31st—Treasurer's Balance.....	18.71

\$442.38

December 31, 1948, Balance due on 1948 Ap- propriation.....	\$50.00
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MARION P. KIMBALL, *Treasurer.*

Approved by:

GEORGE B. SHAW,
WILLIAM H. WADLEIGH,

Auditors

Auditor's Report

This is to certify that we have examined the books and reports of Leonard B. Miller, John W. York and Harry B. Greenwood, Selectmen and find all orders drawn and balanced as of December 31, 1948. Total amount \$25,921.65.

We have examined the books and reports of Howard Blake, Road Agent; Charles H. Bickford, Tax Collector; Martha L. Evans, Town Clerk; Marion P. Kimball, Treasurer of Library Trustees with balance of \$18.71 on hand, and a balance due from the town of 1948 appropriation \$50.00, Harry L. Steeves, Treasurer with a balance of \$3,224.35 on deposit with the Exeter Banking Co.

The above reports are all properly made and balanced as of Dec. 31, 1948, and are hereby approved.

The report of Trust Funds are not complete as of December 31, 1948, and are not approved for that reason.

GEORGE B. SHAW,
WILLIAM H. WADLEIGH,

Auditors.

Kensington, N. H., February 20, 1949.

Annual Reports
OF
Officers of the School District

OF THE
Town of Kensington, N. H.

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1947 and Ending
June 30, 1948

New Hampshire Supervisory Union, No. 16

February 11, 1949.

Mrs. Alice Wilbur,
East Kingston, N. H.

Dear Mrs. Wilbur:

This morning I received from the State Department a suggested article for the school warrant and the motion to be made in dealing with this article. I am enclosing a copy of these two items. This article would be substituted for article 8 in the school district warrant.

It means you would omit the state aid item from the budget, increase the appropriation by that amount, and when the amount of state aid becomes official, that figure would be deducted from the amount appropriated at the school meeting.

This is probably the most accurate way of handling the matter. Some kind of estimate should be given to the selectmen as to the probable amount of state aid to assist them in determining the tax rate.

Yours sincerely,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent.

School Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Kensington,
N. H. qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the twelfth day of March, 1949, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools and the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to purchase a school bus for the transportation of pupils through the facilities of the State Purchasing Agent.
10. If the preceding article is adopted to see if the district will raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,200.00 for the purchase of said school bus.
11. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to study the feasibility of the Kensington School District becoming a member of a co-operative School District, request the State Board of Education to assist in the preparation of a plan for the prospect co-operative school district and prepare a complete report to the school district for presentation at either a special meeting called in ac-

cordance with New Hampshire's Revised Laws, Chapter No. 139, or at the next annual school district meeting.

12. To see if the town will vote to purchase land of Ernest Mitchell near East School for a sum not to exceed fifty dollars (about 15 ft. x 70 ft.)

13. To see if the town will vote three hundred dollars for a septic tank for East School.

14. To see what the town wishes to do about water for the North School.

15. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Kensington, this tenth day of February, 1949.

ALICE A. WILBUR,
PERCY M. DUNN,
LEONARD B. MILLER,

School Board of Kensington, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ALICE A. WILBUR,
PERCY M. DUNN,
LEONARD B. MILLER,

School Board of Kensington, N. H.

School Board's Estimate for 1949-50

School District of Kensington, N. H.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Elementary Schools:

Teachers' Salaries.....	\$4,700.00	
Text Books.....	70.00	
Scholar's Supplies.....	100.00	
Other Expenses of Instruction.....	75.00	
Janitor Service.....	250.00	
Fuel.....	150.00	
Water, Light, Janitor Supplies.....	75.00	
Minor Repairs and Expenses.....	150.00	
Health, Supervision Medical Inspection	200.00	
Payment of Elementary Tuitions.....	2,000.00	
	<hr/> \$7,770.00	
Transportation of Pupils.....	2,700.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,470.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers (Fixed by District).....	\$80.50	
Truant Officer and School Census, (Fixed by District).....	6.00	
Payment of Secondary Tuitions, (Estimated by Board).....	4,050.00	
Superintendent's Excess Salary, (Fixed by Supervisory Union).....	160.00	
Per Capita Tax Report of State Treasurer.....	152.00	
Other Expenses of Administration....	175.00	
Teachers' Retirement.....	110.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,733.50

Total Amount Required to Meet School Budget.....	<hr/> \$15,203.50
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ALICE A. WILBUR,
PERCY M. DUNN,
LEONARD B. MILLER,

School Board.

Kensington, N. H., January 10, 1949.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board of Kensington, New Hampshire:

I take pleasure in submitting my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

In the long run a community provides the kind of education for its children and youth that the whole community wants. The school does not belong to the superintendent, the principal, or the teachers. It belongs to all the people. All American youth need formal education at least until they reach the age of eighteen. For such education to be meaningful to them, modifications must be made in many current school programs which were originally designed primarily for pupils seeking entrance to college.

Some objectives generally accepted by good modern schools are listed.

The school should

1. develop self-disciplined and responsible citizens who will live harmoniously with other members of the community.
2. develop and promote good physical and mental health.
3. develop in the youth the ability to use the tools of learning effectively.
4. develop in each youth employable skills for securing a respectable place in society.
5. teach youth to use leisure time wisely.
6. provide experiences to develop worthy home membership.
6. give knowledge of how to purchase and use goods and services intelligently.
8. develop an interest in and an appreciation of art, music, radio, screen and stage.
9. stimulate interest in and an understanding of the part that science plays in modern living.

For education to attain these objectives, the first requirement is full co-operation of citizens and parents, teachers and students. A second requirement is to have competent teachers in charge of our young people, for a school can be no stronger than the teachers who are employed there.

A third requirement is to have adequate physical facilities such as school buildings and playgrounds which will assist rather than hinder the attainment of the objectives of modern education. Fol-

lowing are some yardsticks which can be used to help us to determine how adequate our present facilities are:

1. *Housing facilities*—Does the building provide accommodations to meet increasing enrollments so that no room needs to house more than twenty-five students?
2. *Age of building*—Is the building modern enough to meet the requirements of present day education?
3. *Size of playground*—Does the playground meet the national standard of five acres for the site and an additional acre for each one hundred students?
4. *Provisions for cafeteria and auditorium*—Does the building have a cafeteria and a combination auditorium and gymnasium?

If some of the above requirements are not being met to the degree which you feel they should be, may I encourage you to give serious consideration regarding what can be done to fulfill these needs, for I am sure that you as an active and interested citizen are eager to have your community provide the best possible training which it can afford for its young people. There is no better investment in this troubled world than investment in youth.

Kensington is indeed fortunate in having Mrs. Clough and Mrs. Bartlett as teachers of the boys and girls. Both of them are experienced and competent teachers who have an unusual amount of interest in the welfare and progress of the children. The same can be said of Mrs. Henry who, as teacher of music, contributes much to the school program. The caliber of work being done by the Kensington students as they continue their education in Exeter is ample proof of the excellent training which they have received. Mrs. Sheehy is giving close attention to the health of the children as school nurse.

I am pleased to find that the Parent-Teacher Association is actively engaged in various projects for the welfare of the schools. The schools have benefited much from the association's efforts.

I wish to call your attention to the reports and tables which follow. I trust these will be of interest to all parents and citizens.

In conclusion, I wish to express my deep appreciation to the citizens, the members of the School Board, and the teachers for their splendid co-operation and support during this year.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent of Supervisory Union No. 16.

Kensington, N. H., January 21, 1949.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1949-50

School opens—Sept. 7 (Wednesday)	
closes—Dec. 22 (Thursday)	74 days, 16 weeks
opens—Jan. 3 (Tuesday)	
closes—Feb. 17 (Friday)	34 days, 7 weeks
opens—Feb. 27 (Monday)	
closes—April 14 (Friday)	35 days, 7 weeks
opens—April 24 (Monday)	
closes—June 16 (Friday)	39 days, 7 weeks
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	182 days, 38 weeks

Holidays:

October—State Convention

November 11—Armistice Day (Friday)

November 24 and 25—Thanksgiving recess (Thurs. and Friday)

May 30—Memorial Day (Tuesday)

School dismissed at noon on November 23 and December 22.

By ruling of the State Board of Education, school must be in session 180 days.

TABLE I

Total Enrollment of Kensington Pupils, January 1, 1949

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot.
North School.....	0	0	0	6	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
East School.....	9	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
Exeter High.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	2	4	1	2	17
Robinson Seminary.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	3	5	0	1	16
St. Michael School.....	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Amesbury High.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	4
Amesbury Junior High.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Sanborn Seminary.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
St. Joseph's.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals.....	9	10	10	8	6	5	11	6	7	11	3	3	89
1948 Comparison.....	9	11	7	7	5	12	6	7	10	8	4	2	88

TABLE II

Statistics for Ten Years Ending June 30, 1948

School Year	Weeks in Year	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Average Membership	Per cent. of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Visits of Superintendent	Visits of Others	Average Salary
1938-1939....	38	29	28	57	43	3	45	94	95	99	151	\$800.00
1939-1940....	38	22	22	44	38	3	41	92	103	74	98	834.33
1940-1941....	37	25	22	47	40	3	43	93	52	108	53	825.00
1941-1942....	37	24	19	43	35	3	38	93	29	62	8	850.00
1942-1943....	38	29	24	53	41	2	43	95	17	43	17	1000.00
1943-1944....	38	24	24	48	42	3	45	94	112	49	51	1125.00
1944-1945....	37	23	23	46	38	3	42	91	98	52	146	1225.00
1945-1946....	37	21	26	47	39	3	42	93	2	49	186	1300.00
1946-1947....	36	23	24	47	40	2	42	95	9	44	75	1400.00
1947-1948....	37	26	24	50	46	3	49	95	2	36	57	1800.00

TABLE III

Perfect attendance for entire year 1947-1948

Lillian George
Howard George

Evelyn George
Winthrop Hale

Ruth Noyes
Roger Aucoin

Report of Supervisor of Music

To the Superintendent of Schools:

With the beginning of the school term in January 1948, the children resumed their study of the reading of music, the learning of new songs, and the writing of measures of music. The operetta, "The Magic Charm" was selected to be given at the end of the school year.

Early in the term, work was started on different parts of the operetta. Memorial Day Music was also started well in advance, and was worked in with the regular music routine.

The Memorial Day program included several songs, some of which were sung in harmony.

In June, "The Magic Charm" was presented before a large and appreciative audience. I was very proud of the children and the performance which they gave. I was also very grateful to the teachers and all others who did so much to help to make the operetta a success. This concluded the musical activities of the school year.

Following the summer vacation, school was re-opened in September, 1948. The preceding year's work was reviewed, and new work started.

Part of the program has included the becoming familiar with many folk-songs, spirituals, and other well-known songs. Later in the term a song naming contest will be given. A collection of pictures of different musical instruments has been started. Sight singing has been continued, and new songs have been learned.

At the annual Christmas program, several specially prepared Christmas songs were sung, some in two parts.

As the children are interested in giving another operetta this year, we are looking forward to presenting one at the end of the school year.

I feel that progress has been made toward our goal, which is the love of singing, the understanding and knowledge of the fundamentals of music, and the appreciation of good music, all of which can mean so much in the lives of all of us.

I wish to thank the Superintendent of Schools, the members of the School Board, the teachers, the Parent-Teachers' Association, and the parents and children for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) ELEANOR HENRY.

Kensington, N. H., January 15, 1949.

Report of School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Following is the report of the school nurse from January 1, 1948 to January 1, 1949:

At the beginning of the school year schools are inspected and fresh first-aid supplies are placed in the schools for the use of pupils.

During the early autumn all children are weighed and measured and again during the winter and spring terms. A weight and growth chart is kept in the schools for the pupils. Examinations are made of the eyes, teeth, hearing, tonsils, and posture. Skin and hair are examined frequently. Immunizations against small-pox and diphtheria are recorded. All defects found are reported to parents.

A dental clinic was held as usual in Dr. Winkler's office in Exeter during the spring months. Transportation was furnished by the Parent-Teacher Association and the school nurse. The clinic was sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association.

All children in grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 were given the audiometer test for hearing. The Maico individual test was given to the children who did not pass the group test. I hope that in the near future we can own a Maico Audiometer for individual testing. With this audiometer we can test the hearing of the first and second grade pupils which is very important.

Following is the report of the annual physical examination:

Number of pupils examined.....	41	
Number 10% underweight.....	5	
Number with defective vision.....	2	Corrected..... 2
Number with defective teeth.....	17	Corrected..... 4
Number with defective tonsils.....	6	Corrected..... 3
Number with defective hearing.....	1	
Number with enlarged glands.....	2	
Bi-weekly visits were made to the schools.		

At this time I would like to express my appreciation for the co-operation of our Superintendent, Mr. Hoyt, the teachers, School Board, and Parent-Teacher Association.

Respectfully submitted,

ELOISE BISER SHEEHY, R. N.

Kensington, N. H., January 10, 1949.

School Treasurer's Report

From June 30, 1947 to June 30, 1948

June 30, 1947, Balance on Hand.....	\$135.05
Received from Selectmen.....	6,550.00
Received from State Treasurer.....	4,072.26

Total Receipts.....	\$10,757.31
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Expenditures

Teachers' Salaries.....	\$4,045.90
Tuitions, High School.....	2,350.52
Tuitions, Junior High School.....	1,336.88
Supervisory Union.....	120.00
State Per Capita Tax.....	126.00
Text Books.....	32.46
Medical Inspection.....	173.87
Minor Repairs and Expenses.....	77.90
Scholars' Supplies.....	46.20
Janitor Service.....	240.00
Fuel.....	115.00
Water, Light and Janitors' Supplies...	38.40
Expense of Administration.....	68.67
Transportation of Pupils.....	1,700.00
Officers' Salaries.....	80.50
Other Expenses of Administration.....	110.08
Insurance.....	50.00
Other Fixed Charges.....	14.20

Total Expenses.....	\$10,726.58
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June 30, 1948, Balance on Hand....	\$30.73
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EXPENSES IN DETAIL

Teachers' Salaries

Edith Clough.....	\$1,469.30
Ina Elkins.....	1,656.40
Eleanor Henry.....	200.00
Exeter School District.....	90.00
Burton Robbins.....	12.00
Edna Wardwell.....	24.00
Geraldine Sargent.....	6.00
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service.....	25.50
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	562.70

\$4,045.90

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Tuitions

Amesbury School District.....	\$1,124.10	
Exeter School District.....	1,213.40	
Robinson Female Seminary.....	1,349.90	
	<hr/>	\$3,687.40
Supervisory Union.....		\$120.00
State Per Capita Tax.....		\$126.00

Text Books

Houghton Mifflin Co.....	\$9.70	
Allyn & Bacon Co.....	12.96	
Ginn & Co.....	9.80	
	<hr/>	\$32.46

Minor Repairs and Expenses

F. B. Keene Co.....	\$15.40	
Young Hardware Co.....	2.50	
Percy Dunn.....	28.00	
Elmer Dunn.....	12.00	
Gustave Lambert.....	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$77.90

Medical Inspection

Eloise Sheehy.....	\$168.00	
Kingman's.....	5.87	
	<hr/>	\$173.87

Scholars' Supplies

Row Peterson Co.....	\$7.63	
Scott Foresman & Co.....	9.70	
The MacMillan Co.....	7.74	
Beckley Cardy Co.....	2.59	
Edward E. Babb Co.....	6.02	
Houghton Mifflin Co.....	3.28	
Exeter School District.....	9.24	
	<hr/>	\$46.20

Janitors' Service

Gustave Lambert.....	\$120.00	
Elmer Dunn.....	120.00	
	<hr/>	\$240.00

Water, Light and Janitors' Supplies

Gustave Lambert.....	\$11.16	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.....	27.24	
	<hr/>	\$38.40

Fuel

Leonard B. Miller.....	\$102.00	
Arthur Evans.....	10.00	
Elmer Dunn.....	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$115.00

Expense of Administration

Exeter News Letter Co.....	\$4.00	
Exeter School District.....	37.16	
Josephine E. Sanborn.....	3.36	
Aura Coleman.....	6.00	
Edson C. Eastman Co.....	18.15	
	<hr/>	\$68.67
Transportation of Pupils.....		\$1,700.00

Officers' Salaries

Leonard B. Miller, Chairman.....	\$25.00	
Percy Dunn.....	15.00	
Harry L. Steeves.....	16.50	
Josephine E. Sanborn, Treasurer.....	20.00	
Grace Gilmore, Clerk.....	2.00	
George B. Shaw, Auditor.....	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$80.50

Other Expenses of Administration

Edward E. Babb Co.....	\$.90	
Exeter News Letter Co.....	3.50	
R. M. Beuttel.....	.50	
Mary Joan Malley.....	91.83	
Boston Music Co.....	9.16	
World Book Co.....	4.18	
	<hr/>	\$110.08

Insurance

Grange Mutual Insurance Co.....	\$50.00
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Other Fixed Charges

Exeter School District.....	\$7.20	
Teachers' Retirement Fund.....	7.00	
	<hr/>	\$14.20
Total Receipts.....		\$10,757.31
Total Expenditures.....		10,726.58

Balance on hand as of June 30, 1948.	\$30.73
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JOSEPHINE E. SANBORN, *Treasurer.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, JULY 1, 1948

Assets

Cash on hand.....	\$30.73
Due from town, balance 1947 appropriation.....	1,326.36
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	\$1,357.09

Liability

Bills due.....	\$471.71
Reserved for school house fund.....	425.36
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	\$903.07

Net assets July 1, 1948.....	\$454.02
Appropriation 1948-1949.....	9,413.50
Appropriation 1948-1949 extra transportation.....	700.00
Cost of Schools July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1948.....	10,783.69

Paid out of town tuition July 1 1947 to July 1, 1948:

	<i>High</i>	<i>Jr. High</i>	<i>Total</i>
Amesbury.....	\$858.97	\$400.00	\$1,256.97
Exeter.....	1,913.30	650.00	2,563.30
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			\$3,822.27

GEORGE B. SHAW,

Auditor.

KENSINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948

Date	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Child	Living or Stillborn	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 6	Carol F. Wilbur	F	8	L	Edward H. Wilbur	Alice A. Simon	Kensington, N. H.	Roxbury, Mass.
Feb. 12	Jas. Rosencrantz, Jr.	M	1	L	Jas. R. Rosencrantz	Rachel M. Swasey	Framingham	Brentwood, N. H.
Feb. 15	Robert E. Jordan	M	3	L	Alfred Jordan, Jr.	Doris L. Smart	West Newbury	Stonham, Mass.
Feb. 21	Dana P. Ashton	M	2	L	Carl F. Ashton	Eva L. Cammett	Haverhill, Mass.	Exeter, N. H.
May 7	H. J. Maryea, Jr.	M	2	L	Herman J. Maryea	Marg't G. George	Amesbury, Mass.	Newburyport, Mass.
May 9	W. R. Rosencrantz	M	2	L	F. W. Rosencrantz	H. M. Zacharias'n	Arlington, Mass.	Portsmouth, N. H.
June 1	Florence S. Young	F	6	L	Frank P. Young	M. E. Otterson	Plymouth, N. H.	Hooksett, N. H.
July 10	Bruce W. Eaton	M	1	L	Alber S. Eaton	S. M. Reagan	Amesbury, Mass.	Amesbury, Mass.
Oct. 8	Robert L. Briggs	M	3	L	Leslie C. Briggs	Martha E. Card	Haverhill, Mass.	Newburyport, Mass.
Nov. 19	Regina A. Kimball	F	1	L	Robert G. Kimball	Amogene Travis	Exeter, N. H.	Brockton, Mass.
Dec. 20	John J. Rizzo	M	2	L	John Rizzo	A. M. Schrempf	Chelsea, Mass.	Newburyport, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MARTHA L. EVANS, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

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Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Each	Condition	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married
Feb. 29	Kensington	Robert W. Miller	23	W	2	Haverhill, Mass.	Leonard B. Miller, Sr. Lillian M. Fourtnier	Oliver C. Northcott, Clergyman, Kensington
		Luda L. Purdom	27	W	3	San Pedro, Calif.	Roderick L. Pheney Maxine E. Rideout	
Mar. 26	Kensington	W. F. Schwarzbauer	43	W	2	Germany	Paul Schwarzbauer Mathilda Hirst	Oliver C. Northcott, Clergyman, Kensington
		Lucille Isabelle	31	W	2	New Bedford, Mass.	Frank J. Isabelle Cynthia Tetrault	
Apr. 10	Kensington	Willie H. Moody, Jr.	20	W	1	Somersworth, N. H.	Willie H. Moody, Sr. Grace Smith	Abbie M. Webster, Justice of Peace, East Kingston
		Phyllis M. Boyd	19	W	1	Seabrook, N. H.	Enoch Boyd Enma Janvrin	
May 16	So. Hampton	William H. Wadleigh	24	W	1	Exeter, N. H.	Arthur Wadleigh G. Flora A. Ronzano	Oliver C. Northcott, Clergyman, Kensington
		Virginia M. Hellen	19	W	1	Amesbury, Mass.	James A. Hellen Nettie M. McKinley	
June 20	Kensington	Harold W. Bodwell, Jr.	22	W	1	Methuen, Mass.	H. W. Bodwell, Sr. Dorothy C. Turner	Oliver C. Northcott, Clergyman, Kensington
		Elizabeth A. Taatjes	18	W	1	Kingston, N. H.	Gerard J. Taatjes Louise M. Mangene	

MARRIAGES—(Concluded)

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Each	Condition	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married
June 19	Exeter, N. H.	Robert G. Kimball	24	W	1	Exeter, N. H.	Frank Kimball Marion P. Page	Paul T. Martin, Min. of the Gospel
		Amogene M. Travis	26	W	1	Brockton, Mass.	John H. Travis Beatrice Boyd	Exeter, N. H.
Oct. 10	Kensington	Wm. A. Anderson, Jr.	23	W	1	Newburyport, Mass.	Wm. A. Anderson, Sr.	Oliver C. Northcott,
		Alyce A. Frost	19	W	1	Providence, R. I.	M. Ellen Rose Clyde E. Frost Mary E. Ward	Clergynan, Kensington

REPORTS RECEIVED FROM MARRIAGES OUT OF TOWN

Nov. 25	Exeter, N. H.	Robert D. Brabant	19	W	1	Exeter, N. H.	Edward Brabant Bella C. Roberge	Daniel J. Cotter, Catholic Priest,
		Doris A. Brewster	23	W	1	Kensington, N. H.	Moses W. Brewster Alphonsine Caron	Exeter, N. H.
Nov. 25	Kensington	Richard C. Evans	20	W	1	Exeter, N. H.	Arthur C. Evans Mildred A. Smart	Oliver C. Northcott,
		Gloria L. Cadman	19	W	1	Lewiston, Maine	Collin C. Cadman Evelina Elwell	Clergynan, Kensington

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. MARTHA L. EVANS, Town Clerk.

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 1, 1948

Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Male or Female	Single Married or Widowed	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Y	M D					
Apr. 1	Margaret T. Lord	75	1	Lee, Mass.	F	W	John Morrison	Margaret —
Apr. 24	Ella J. Blodgett	91	9	Kensington, N. H.	F	W	Parker M. Badger	Sarah P. Lord
June 1	William E. Burleigh	63	11	Brentwood, N. H.	M	M	William B. Burleigh	Mary A. F. Hook
June 16	Helen A. Crowell	73	8	Kensington, N. H.	F	M	D. Russell Prescott	Lavina Simpson
July 1	Nettie B. Rowe	85	2	Seabrook, N. H.	F	W	Newell Beckman	Caroline Beckman
Nov. 8	Maud J. Page	74	8	Lee, N. H.	F	W	Alphonso James	Elizabeth Woodman
Nov. 17	John P. Blake	85	6	Kingston, N. H.	M	M	Thomas H. Blake	Catherine Batchelder

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Feb. 29	Nellie M. Millbury	60	10	4	Brentwood, N. H.	F	M	William Rhodes	Mary Fuller
April 6	Ernest H. Carter	87	3	22	East Kingston, N. H.	M	D	Aaron Carter	Adelaide Sweat
Sept. 11	Addie M. Hatch	87	7	25		F			
	John Johnson	81	9	1		M			

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MARTHA L. EVANS, *Town Clerk.*

